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St. *James's, December* 12.

THIS Day the following Addreſs was preſented to Her Majeſty by Sir *Owen Buckingham*, introduced by the Right Honourable the Earl of *Sunderland*.

To the QUEEN's *moſt Excellent Majeſty.*

The Humble Addreſs of the Lord Mayor, and the reſt of Her Majeſty's Commiſſioners of Lieutenancy for the City of *London*.

May it pleaſe Your Majeſty,

WE *your Majeſty's moſt loyal and dutiful Subjects, being moſt ſenſibly touch'd with every thing that may diſturb the Quiet and Satisfaction of your Mind, cannot forbear condoling your Majeſty upon your great Loſs ſuſtain'd in the Perſon of his Royal Highneſs the Prince; whoſe tender Affection for your Majeſty, and your Realms, together with his other exemplary Virtues, will render his Memory dear to all Poſterity.*

MADAM,

We beg Leave, at this time, to congratulate your Majeſty upon the aſtoniſhing Series of Succeſs which hath attended your Reign; and more particularly upon the many and great Advantages obtained this Year by your Arms, and thoſe of your Allies; and humbly beſeech your Majeſty, from the Conſideration of ſuch ſignal and repeated Inſtances of divine Favour and Protection, to ſet ſuch Bounds to your juſt Grief, as the Happineſs of your Perſon, the Welfare of your Dominions, and of this part of the World, ſo indiſpenſably require.

And we preſume to aſſure your Majeſty, that we ſhall not ceaſe moſt earneſtly to pray Almighty God, that he will continue to appear for your Majeſty and your Allies, 'till you ſhall obtain a Peace, that will ſecure your Majeſty's Perſon and Government, the Succeſſion in the Proteſtant Line, and reſtore the whole Monarchy of Spain *to the Houſe of* Auſtria.

To which her Majeſty was pleaſed to make the following moſt Gracious Anſwer.

I thank the Lieutenancy for their Addreſs, and am very ſenſible of their Zeal and Affection for Me and my Government.

Venice, November 30, *N. S.* Letters from Rome differ in their Accounts of Affairs in that Place; ſome report that the Courts of Rome and Vienna are near an Accommodation; but others ſay, that their Diſſatisfactions encreaſe on both ſides. The Military Caſh, conſiſting of 300000 Crowns, was brought back to Rome on the 23d Inſtant. Four Gallies belonging to the Pope arrived at Civita Vecchia with 500 French Soldiers, and Arms for 2000 Men. Several of the Pope's Gallies have been lately chaſed by ſome Britiſh Ships, but eſcaped by the favour of a Miſt. A Bark bearing the Flag of the Eccleſiaſtical State, is taken near Orbitello by an Engliſh Man of War. Letters from Naples ſay, that a great number of Veſſels were fitting out there, to take in Men and Arms for the Reduction of ſuch Places on the Coaſt of Tuſcany as are in the hands of the French. The Viceroy of Sicily has lately put to Death two Magiſtrates, and impriſoned ſeveral Eccleſiaſticks, for correſponding with the Allies. The King of Denmark is ſuddenly expected here; and the Palace which was lately inhabited by the Earl of Mancheſter, the Britiſh Ambaſſador, is prepared for his Majeſty's Reception.

Berlin, Dec. 8. *N. S.* On the 6th Inſtant his Majeſty was extremely indiſpoſed; but is ſince ſo far recovered, that the Preparations for Publick Masks and Fireworks go on with great diligence. The great Maſquerade is to begin on the 13th of this Month. On the 2d, the Muſcovite Miniſter reſiding in this Court, viſited the Britiſh Ambaſſador, by order of his Maſter, to notifie the Victory his Czariſh Majeſty has obtained in Perſon, over that Body of Swedes which was Commanded by General Lewenhaupt.

Hamburg, December 14, *N. S.* On the 10th of this Month the Duke Adminiſtrator of Holſtein, with his Dutcheſs and Siſter, left this Place, in order to paſs the Holy-days at his Epiſcopal Seat of Eutin. The next Day the Princeſs of Sirelitz, who hath been here incognito ſome three Months, removed alſo from hence, in order to meet the Prince her Huſband at Mecklenburg. Our laſt Letters from Dantzick ſay, that the Plague that had reigned at Thorn, is again broke out in thoſe Parts, and hath been ſince diſcovered within four German Miles from Dantzick. Thoſe Letters add, that of 160 Merchant Ships laden with Corn at Dantzick and Koningsberg, of which a conſiderable number was bound for Sweden, the greater part had periſhed in the late Storms. On the 12th Inſtant, three Soldiers of the Duke of Wolfenbuttel's Guards, that are in this Town, were ſhot to death, for being the Authors of a Mutiny in September laſt. We are yet without any Letters from the Swediſh Army.

From the Camp at Melle, *December* 17, *N. S.* Yeſterday Prince Eugene, with his Army, paſſed the Schelde, and encamped at Enarne. His Highneſs came hither at Noon, to confer with his Grace the Duke of Marlborough: And this Day the Imperial and Palatine Troops, with a Reinforcement of Horſe from his Grace's Army, marched towards Grammont, in order to encamp at Gamerage on the other ſide the Dender, for the Conveniency of Forage, and to obſerve the Enemy on that ſide during the Siege of Ghent. The Prince of Naſſau, with the Detachment that went from our Army to the Siege of Liſle, and the Heſſians, marched likewiſe this Day from Ename to Coſterzeele, in order to block up the Town between the Upper and Lower Schelde, and the Diſpoſition being made for inveſting it on all ſides, the Army will make a Movement to Morrow, and take the following Poſts: Count Lottum, with 36 Battalions and 30 Squadrons, between the Upper Schelde and the Lys. The Hereditary Prince of Heſſe, with 40 Squadrons and 20 Battalions, between the Lys and the Canal of Bruges; and from thence to the Canal of Sas. The Duke of Wirtemberg, between Muleſtein and the Lower Schelde, with 25 Squadrons and 16 Battalions; and Count Tilly, with 30 Squadrons and 30 Battalions, between the Upper and Lower Schelde. All which Poſts may be eaſed, or ſtrengthened, as the Service ſhall require. His Grace will take his Quarters at Meerlebeck, to be as near as may be to the Center of the ſeveral Attacks. The Weather having been very moderate for theſe two Days paſt, the Rivers are now Navigable; and ſeveral Boats with Artillery, Ammunition, Stores and Forage, are come up the Schelde to Watteren, near this Place; and we are in hourly Expectation of an Account, that thoſe from Liſle are arrived at Deynſe. His Grace had a Deputation this Afternoon from the Clergy, the Magiſtracy, and the Commons of Ghent, to deſire that the Town might not be deſtroyed by the Bombs and Fire-Balls; they were anſwered, That their Misfortune having happened by their own Folly, or Negligence, they had no other way to ſave their Houſes, but by returning to their Duty, and taking up Arms for King Charles; to which they reply'd, They were over-aw'd by a numerous Garriſon of thirty Battalions and nineteen Squadrons; that all they could do, was not to aſſiſt the Garriſon in any manner: Upon which they were told, They muſt expect all poſſible Means would be uſed to reduce them to the Obedience of their lawful Sovereign. His Grace likewiſe charged them to declare to the Spaniſh and Walloon Regiments, which make part of the Garriſon, that if they would quit the French Intereſt, and come over to us, they ſhould be immediately entertained in the King's Service, and regularly paid, according to their reſpective Qualities; for which his Grace and the Deputies gave their Aſſurance.

Hague, December 18. *N. S.* Their High Mightineſſes have made a Preſent of a Gold Chain and a Medal, valued at 1200 Florins, to Colonel Swartz, who brought the

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